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Shai STEIN et al.) Art Unit: 2617
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**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF INVENTORS' DECLARATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.131**

I, Helena Levin, declare and state the following:

I am an Israeli Patent Attorney, employed in the Patent Department of ECI Telecom Ltd. (hereinafter ECI), Petach Tikva, Israel.

All of the activities discussed below took place in the State of Israel subsequent to January 1, 1996.

I have prepared and, on April 1, 2004, filed Israeli Patent application no. 161216, for which priority rights are claimed for the above-identified U.S. application. During the preparation of that Israeli application, it was given the internal designation "A036". During the same period, I was engaged in the preparation of a closely related Israeli patent application, which was designated "A037". Both applications relate to inventions by the same inventors. Therefore, I was engaged in the drafting of both applications in parallel, although the A037 application was, at the time, considered by ECI to be closer to its product line and thus to have a slightly higher priority.

Prior to February 12, 2004, I prepared a draft of the A036 application and forwarded it to the inventors, Mr. Moredechay Morgenstern and Mr. Shai Stein, for review. A copy of that draft application is submitted herewith as Exhibit E. A copy of the email

forwarding this draft to the inventors is submitted herewith as Exhibit D. The date on the email of Exhibit D has been redacted, but it is prior to February 12, 2004.

Also prior to February 12, 2004, I sent a draft of the A037 application to Messrs. Morgenstern and Stein for review. A copy of that draft application is submitted herewith as Exhibit G and a copy of my e-mail transmittal is submitted herewith as Exhibit F. The date on the email of Exhibit F has been redacted, but it is prior to February 12, 2004.

On February 18, 2004, I received a first version of the drawings for the A037 application from a draftsman employed by the Elisha Kehimkar company.

On February 19, 2004, I, along with Mr. Gil Ingel, then VP Intellectual Property of ECI, met with the inventors Shai Stein and Moredechay Morgenstern to discuss the draft of the A036 application that I had previously sent. During that meeting, various revisions were discussed.

Also on February 19, 2004, I received an e-mail from inventor Morgenstern providing information for revisions to the A037 application. A copy of that e-mail is submitted herewith as Exhibit L.

Between February 19 and February 22, 2004, I prepared a revised draft of the A037 application, which I forwarded to inventors Morgenstern and Stein as an e-mail attachment on February 22, 2004, for review. A copy of the e-mail is submitted herewith as Exhibit M and a copy of that draft application is submitted herewith as Exhibit N.

On February 23, 2004, I received, via e-mail, from inventor Morgenstern details regarding the inventors' names and the order in which the inventors should be listed for the A037 application. A copy of that e-mail is submitted herewith as Exhibit O

On February 26, 2004, I put the A037 application in final form and forwarded it to inventor Morgenstern via e-mail. A copy of that e-mail is submitted as Exhibit P and a copy of that draft application is submitted herewith as Exhibit Q.

On February 29, 2004, the final version of the A037 application, including formal drawings, was prepared for filing. A copy of that application is submitted herewith as Exhibit R.

The A037 application was filed in Israel on March 1, 2004, and received Israeli application no. 160665. A corresponding U.S. National Stage application, claiming priority thereof, was published on May 31, 2007, as U.S. Pat. Pub. 2007/0121576.

Also during the period between February 19 and February 29, 2004, in addition to being required to deal with a number of urgent office actions, I revised the A036 application draft, and forwarded the revised draft to inventor Morgenstern on March 1, 2004. A copy of my e-mail is submitted herewith as Exhibit S and a copy of that draft is submitted herewith as Exhibit T.

During the period between February 19 and March 17, 2004, I was informed that the inventors were extremely busy, so that it was not possible to schedule a meeting with them to discuss the A036 application until March 17, 2004.

On March 17, 2004, Mr. Ingel and I met with the inventors to review the revised draft of the A036 application.

Between March 17 and March 22, 2004, I prepared a further revised draft of the A036 application, which I forwarded to inventor Morgenstern as an e-mail attachment on March 22, 2004. A copy of that e-mail and the draft that was attached are submitted herewith as Exhibits Z and AA, respectively.

On March 25, 2004, I received from inventor Morgenstern an e-mail with an attachment providing additional disclosure information to be included in the A036 application. A copy of that e-mail and the attachment is submitted herewith as Exhibits AB and AC, respectively.

Between March 25 and March 28, 2004, I revised the draft A036 application and sent the revised draft to inventor Morgenstern on March 28, 2004. A copy of the e-mail is submitted as Exhibit AD and a copy of that application draft is submitted herewith as Exhibit AE.

A supplemental patentability search relating to the A036 application was performed on March 29, 2004.

On March 30, 2004, I held a meeting with inventor Morgenstern, prepared a further revised version of the A036 application, and provided a copy of that revised version to

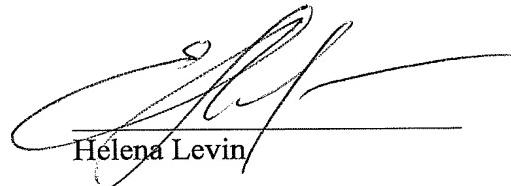
inventor Morgenstern. A copy of that e-mail is submitted herewith as Exhibit AF and a copy of that draft is submitted herewith as Exhibit AG.

On March 31, 2004, I received final drawings from the draftsman, obtained a final confirmation of the inventors' names and the order in which the inventors should be listed, and gave instructions for filing the A036 Israeli priority application.

On April 1, 2004, the A036 Israeli priority application was filed, which received Israeli application no. 161216.

I hereby further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Date 08.12.2009



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H.L.", is written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the name "Helena Levin" is printed in a smaller, sans-serif font.